

ED MARCHANT TELLS A TALE

Secretary of World's Fair Commission Goes to Enid

THEN OFF FOR ST. LOUIS

His First Experiences in Oklahoma Print Shop.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—Mr. Ed B. Marchant, secretary of the Oklahoma World's Fair commission, left this evening to join the other members of the commission, Messrs. Kerber and Shee, at Enid, from which place they will go together to St. Louis. They will make the final arrangements looking to shopping up the Oklahoma exhibit in the various departments for the opening of the exposition. They will be in the city about a week.

Mr. Ed Marchant, recently appointed by Governor Ferguson to the vacancy on the board of world's fair commissioners, made by the resignation of Fred L. Wren, recounts his initial experience as a newspaper man in the town of Alton, Woods county, his present home.

"I got the idea," says Mr. Marchant, "that there were greater things for me a little further down the road than at Alton, where I was then residing, about the time Alton began to be talked of. And when an Oklahoma town is just beginning to be talked of you may be pretty sure there is not much there in the way of a town. There is often little enough there when the place is a great deal talked of. But I decided to move."

Accordingly I pulled up my stakes at Alton, and, taking my bull dog, my outfit and my printer, I went to Alton. Arriving I found everything inhabitable in the limits of the new town taken. There were three tents and they were full. I, however, found an unoccupied half-blown down shack in the heart of a nearby wheat field, and it I opened up shop.

"The company back of the town gave me a corner lot, and I soon advertised another. Later I bought three. A railroad came—another. People came. In less than a year's time I had a good seven column paper, fourteen columns of advertising at 50 cents per and all was lively."

HEARST THEIR CHOICE.

Oklahoma Democrats Said to Be for the New York Man.

Oklahoma City, O. T., Feb. 20.—Those who are in touch with Oklahoma politics are aware that the delegates from this territory to the National Democratic convention at Chicago, will be cast for William Randolph Hearst, who it is beginning to be realized by those who have their ears to the ground, is today the strongest possibility for the Democratic nomination for the presidency.

Hearst is growing in popular estimation daily, and the delegates are being undivided following of the New York editor makes him a most formidable candidate, says the Oklahoma.

Chas. Schwartz of New York, a former member and member of Tammany, tells of Bryan's attitude. He says "I rode with Mr. Bryan from Indianapolis to St. Louis last week when he was here to home to beat the odds of his dying sister, and during the trip we fell to discussing politics, and then it was that he expressed himself as being in favor of Hearst, and he told me he would work to bring about his nomination."

"I advised Bryan's conversation that he thinks he will be able to stampede the St. Louis convention, and make it endorse the Kansas City platform and make the man he wants for president. It looks very much to me like New York will go Democratic this year, if some conservative man is nominated. The Republicans are bound to lose the city and the fight will be a pretty one, with the chances in favor of the Democrats, at least that is the opinion of my New Yorkers who give politics some attention."

McGUIRE SEES ROOSEVELT.

Point Under Discussion Is the Town Lot Funds.

Washington, Feb. 20.—President Roosevelt had a conference today with Delegate McGuire on the subject of the disposition of three other well known citizens of the territory, Judge Sleeper, Mayor Turner of Lawton, and Mr. Cunningham, prosecuting attorney at Lawton about the disposition of the proceeds of the sale of town lots in Lawton, Anadarko and Cheyenne. The delegate aggregates about \$25,000 and is to be used for city and county improvements. Differences of opinion have arisen as to the way in which the money is to be expended. In order to adjust these differences delegations from the territory have taken up the subject with Secretary Hitchcock and the president. No decision has yet been reached.

DEEP GAS WELL.

Shawnee Will Keep Up With the Modern Progression.

Shawnee, O. T., Feb. 20.—The gas and oil well proposition has succeeded and Shawnee will keep her place in the van of Oklahoma cities by a further display of her enterprise and energy in the exploitation of her resources and the development of these natural conditions which are the available assets of every locality in this wonderful southwest.

This city is to have a test well put down 1,200 feet by parties who have asked no bonus and who are able to carry out their contracts. The 30 lots in Rose Garden addition which were to be sold at \$2 per lot to build a fine city, have been sold and the deeds will be signed and delivered within a few days.

NO EARLY DELEGATE.

Indian Territory Has No Immediate Prospect in That Direction.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—C. E. Foley, champion of the Indian territory delegate proposition, has just returned from Washington on account of illness at his home. He will soon return to Washington, however, to renew his fight for representation for Indian territory in the national legislature. Mr. Foley has done a great deal to place the Indian territory before the nation, perhaps more than any one man.

In speaking of his delegate bill and its chances, Mr. Foley said: "All that can be done now along my proposition has been done. My work reached a point where it has to wait until

other things develop. However, the delegate proposition is being looked after during my absence by its enthusiastic friends and I will return a little later to push it through if possible, at the proper time.

"The arguments before the committee on territories in favor of the delegate bill, which I did everything in my power, personally and otherwise to bring before representatives and senators, attracted widespread attention, as the extent of population and resources of this country were undreamed of by a large majority of the people who are in a position to help us. If you people have half what you claim, many representatives and senators say to me, 'you are entitled to a delegate, territorial form of government or statehood. The DeWing investment company of Oswego, Kan., wrote me that they had 1,500 copies of my argument before the committee printed and distributed throughout the east. This company does considerable business in this country, and these were distributed for advertising purposes and to bring before the people of the New England states."

"Had I not been called home, I would have appeared before the committee on territories again Wednesday in company with Indian Commissioner Jones, who was going before the committee to speak in behalf of the delegate bill. Everything is very indefinite as yet, but it is generally conceded in Washington that the Indian territory will get some kind of legislation at this session of congress."

When asked about the Quay bill, Mr. Foley said:

"Both the Quay and Robinson bills are talked of as a great deal by representatives and senators, but whether either of them will pass at this session of congress, no one at this time can tell. The Quay bill is in the hands of the senate territory committee and will not be taken up by them until some time in March, and if reported favorably will not reach the senate until late in March. But even if these bills go through, it is my belief that they will not be effective until 1906, or until all the treaties are eliminated."

LYING IN THE MORGUE.

Death Overtakes a Woman Far From Her Friends.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—Mrs. Ruby Kitterman, who died at the El Reno hospital Tuesday evening at 9:35 and now lying in the morgue at the El Reno undertaking parlors, to await orders for a brother-in-law at Henry, South Dakota, had a bit of sad history connected with her just previous to her death.

She is but 32 years old, and had been deserted by her husband at Chickasha a few months ago. After he left she was taken sick and being too proud to inform her relatives, she was exposed, and was in a very low condition, when the Chickasha Science School of Chickasha came to her rescue. There is no hospital in Chickasha and as she needed very careful treatment they raised enough money to send her to the El Reno hospital to be treated. She came a week ago last Saturday with a severe attack of pneumonia. Just a few minutes before her death she received a letter from her sister in South Dakota, and when it was handed to her she said "wait a few minutes. I feel too weak to read it now," and shortly afterward she had a spasm, which resulted in her death. A telegram was sent to her brother-in-law, Clinton Waddell, of Henry, South Dakota, but as yet they have received no reply.

FORT SMITH AND WESTERN.

Thought That It Will Absorb the El Reno Line.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—In his private car J. J. Mahoney, General manager of the Fort Smith and Western railroad, said to the other officers of the road, yesterday made an inspection trip over the St. Louis, El Reno and Southwestern recently completed between Guthrie and El Reno. It is thought the inspection trip was made under the direction of the directors of the Fort Smith and Western which it is conjectured, means the contemplated taking over of the new line. The two lines have from the first been connected just north of the city and all the wheat shipped over St. Louis, El Reno and Southwestern has been sent on over the Fort Smith and Western thus giving further license to the suspicion of consolidation.

DRAWN TO DEATH.

Horse Broke Away and Rope Caught the Boy.

Helena, O. T., Feb. 20.—Wednesday forenoon near the Chaney Dale school house, Glen, the 10 year old son of Levi Johnson, was dragged to death by a horse which, as he was leading, the horse broke away from the boy and in so doing the rope got around his neck in such a way he could not help himself. His sister heard him cry and the horse started to run and he was dead when reached. His father was away from home at the time, having started for the Indian country to look up a location. The heartbroken mother, who has been in the health for some time, has the sympathy of the entire community in her bereavement.

GOVERNOR SEAY IMPROVING.

But He Is Not Quite as Well as Reported.

Kingfisher, O. T., Feb. 20.—Governor Seay is not quite so well as Dennis Flynn stated in his El Reno interview, but he is getting along remarkably well, and with fair sailing will be about as good as ever in a short time, says the Free Press. The governor is not the kind of a man who gives up easily, and his splendid constitution and courage is bringing him out all right. The people over the territory are awaiting his ultimate recovery with keen anxiety and his familiar figure at Republican councils is anxiously looked forward to.

HOBBART WANTS IT.

Will Go to Oklahoma City to Seek the Cattlemen's Convention.

Hobart, O. T., Feb. 20.—Hobart should do its best to secure the next convention of cattlemen, and we believe it can be done if a united effort be made, says the Republican.

A committee should be appointed at once to take full charge, solicit subscriptions, hire the band, induce as many to go as can and land in Oklahoma City with flying colors and go to work with a will among the assembled cattlemen—and the next convention will most undoubtedly be held in Hobart.

TO BUILD A CHURCH.

Christian People of Omega Have Subscribed Liberally.

Kingfisher, O. T., Feb. 20.—The Christian people of Omega and vicinity will soon have a comfortable church. Subscriptions are being taken to secure the amount. B. S. Smith and Rev. Shannon were here from that community Tuesday and secured something over \$50 from the merchants of the town. Omega is situated in one of the most fertile sections of the county, and the people of Kingfisher rejoice with them in their good fortune.

KINGFISHER GIRL WEDDED

Military Uniforms Were Greatly in Evidence.

WEDDINGS IN PROSPECT

Two Guthrie Young Ladies Will Go to the Philippines

Kingfisher, O. T., Feb. 20.—The wedding of Miss Marie Tracy of Kingfisher and Captain Henry S. Wygant took place in St. Louis February 18th. The St. Louis Globe Democrat under the caption "A Military Wedding," says:

The wedding of the week was that of Miss Marie Morton Tracy and Capt. Wygant, and was a military wedding, with all the gold lace and shining buttons that are so dear to the heart of the girls. A very dainty, beautiful bride was the future Mrs. Wygant, as she stood in the bow window of the pretty drawing room of the John O'Fallon Delaney mansion, in Lafayette avenue, Saturday evening. The stars and stripes were in evidence, along with the usual floral decorations, the fair maids and gallant soldiers making a picture that was very pretty to look upon. Rev. Father Shea of St. Kevin's performed the ceremony. Miss Clara Bain was maid of honor and the three bridesmaids were Miss Elizabeth Fair of Virginia and the Misses Paul of Kentucky. The small girl and boy, children of Mr. Sloan Tracy, preceded the bride and groom. Among the army officers present as groomsmen were Captain Russell Langdon, Third Infantry; Lieutenant Harry Burgess, engineering corps; Lieutenant William R. Gibson. It was much regretted that Lieutenant Geo. H. Shields received his marching orders before the wedding, otherwise he would have been one of the groomsmen. Mrs. J. C. Van Buren, Miss Bain, Mrs. E. J. Lacey and other intimate friends of the bride entertained the bridal party during the week.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—During the month of April two young ladies will leave this city for the purpose of being married in the Philippines to their sweethearts.

They are now in the city, Miss Frances Furness, until recently of Chicago, and Miss Frazee, a milliner, are the young women, whose intended trip is now reported. Miss Frazee, it is announced, will wed Prof. Brown, formerly principal of the Guthrie high school and now in the educational service in the Philippines, and Miss Furness will wed a Methodist missionary, now at work among the natives.

Last Monday afternoon at Tonkawa occurred the marriage of Miss Ina Booth and Mr. Wilbur McGuekin. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Clay T. Runyon, at the residence of the bride's father, on the West Side; only the most intimate friends and relatives were present. Immediately after the ceremony and congratulatory remarks and elegant dinner was served to the guests.

One of the social events of the season, says the Hobart News, took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Marshall, of Sentinel, O. T., when their daughter, Miss Edna Lee, was married to M. A. Bannister, of Barton, O. T.

The wedding was celebrated in the presence of immediate relatives and friends. The ceremony was performed at 4 o'clock Sunday evening by Rev. Hampton, of Fort, O. T.

Mrs. C. F. Atwell, as pianist and Mr. Nelson Smith as violinist, rendered Mendelssohn's beautiful wedding march. The bride party entered the parlor which was beautifully decorated with the strains and were then made one, while Mr. Roy Marshall sang, "A Promise Me."

The bride was attired in a handsome gown of white silk organdy trimmed in lace, while the groom wore the regulation black. The bride is a beautiful and accomplished young lady and is well known in the social circles, both here and at Atwell, Ill.

The groom is an industrious business man of Barton, O. T.

On Tuesday evening at 5:30 o'clock at Watonga at the home of the groom's parents, the marriage of Mr. Frank Koch to Miss Claude Shelton, took place. Judge Woodman performed the ceremony in the presence of a number of loving friends. After congratulations had been extended the happy couple, an elaborately prepared wedding feast was enjoyed by the guests.

The bride is one of Watonga's most estimable young ladies, while the groom is numbered among the city's popular young business men, being associated with his father in the hardware business. The couple were the recipients of many useful and valuable presents.

Later in the evening the band treated the newly wedded pair to a serenade.

Miss Maudie Cullen of Shawnee and W. M. Cooper were married by Justice Jacobs last Saturday.

William McKay and Miss Maud Everhart, both of Pond Creek, were married February 11th.

Married at Cushing on the Congregational church on Sunday, February 15th, were Miss Mattie Lambert, the Rev. Daniel Reek, pastor of the M. E. church at this place officiating.

At Prague last Sunday Mr. Joe Smith of Little Rock, Ark., and Miss Maud Harris of Prague were married at the bride's home.

Case Is Dismissed.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—From Newkirk today is reported the dismissal of a case against the local meat inspectors, who were charged with malfeasance in office because he refused to go a distance of eight miles to inspect cattle because he was not given mileage expenses. The case was dismissed by the county attorney.

Oklahoma City, O. T., Feb. 20.—W. R. Harrison, of Caddo county, was placed under arrest in this city by Under Sheriff Dyer on a warrant charging forgery. He was taken to Anadarko this evening to stand trial. He is accused of having for-

ged lading bills on cotton by which he secured \$2,000 of sums of money aggregating \$3,000. Harrison was connected with the townsite sale of Laverly, near Chickasha, several months ago.

NEW YARDS PROGRESSING.

Santa Fe Shops Also Are Nearing Completion at Shawnee.

Shawnee, O. T., Feb. 20.—The Santa Fe yards and shops site is beginning to show up in good shape. The sidetrack beginning just across the river is about ready for the steel gang to commence laying the steel. The grade is completed, with the exception of a little grading near where the shop buildings will be erected. Contractor Moore has about fifty teams at work, with a steam ploy filling in the lowest portion of the yards. This portion of the work is being pushed through as rapidly as possible. C. H. Sharp's construction train is widening the grade from Teanumash and has his own work train. A turntable will be installed shortly and to away with the "Y" that is now being used. The material for the turntable is now on the ground.

Indian Territory Banks.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—A Muskogee dispatch says the comptroller of currency issued a statement yesterday of the financial condition of the ninety-nine national banks in the Indian territory at the close of business January 22. The report shows that the banks are in excellent condition. The total resources and liabilities aggregated \$16,294,577. Loans and discounts are \$3,719,310. The individual deposits in the banks were \$3,367,704. The money on reserve in the banks was \$16,023,21. The percentage of the legal reserve to deposits was 19.4, while the percentage to deposits of cash on hand was 38.3.

Western Rural Carriers.

Washington, Feb. 20.—These rural carriers have been appointed: Kansas—Bernes, regular, James M. Kincaid; substitute, Sarah J. Kincaid. Oklahoma—Douglas, regular, Verley K. Meek; substitute, Logan Cook. Hobart, regular, William R. Bishop and Charles S. Clark; substitute, John W. Kennedy and Emma L. Clark. Komaly, regular, William L. Russell; substitute, Peter Nutt. Shawnee, regular, Carl Schultz and Clark E. Ward; substitutes, H. J. Kelly and Dennis E. Grimes.

Washington, Feb. 20.—A postoffice has been established at Roma, Cherokee nation, I. T., with Nancy A. Herndon as postmistress.

Oklahoma postoffices discontinued: Concord, Woods county, mail to Ringwood; Yait, Lincoln county, mail to McLoud.

Medicine Maker in Jail.

Eufaula, I. T., Feb. 20.—Wachacha, the medicine maker of the Snake Indians and his assistant, have been arrested in Muskogee. Wachacha has been the diabolical factor among the Snakes at Flat Rock this winter, where the Snakes were in camp. The act which caused his arrest was driving a woman from her house and taking what he wanted.

Cutting School Land Timber.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—Tilden Haley was yesterday brought into Chandler from Wellston by Deputy Sheriff Murphy charged with having cut timber on the territory's school land. His preliminary hearing has been set for Tuesday, February 22.

Will Send Fifty.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—Guthrie will send a delegation of fifty strong to the live stock convention at Oklahoma City next week to pull the next convention to Guthrie. The fifty will remain during the entire three days of the convention and will use every effort to land the plum.

Socialist Is Confident.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—Tom Smith of Newkirk, the socialist candidate for congress in 1902, is here on a business trip. He says the socialists will not only elect their state ticket in Oklahoma in 1902, but will also elect the presidential ticket.

In Payne County.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—L. W. Baxter, territorial superintendent, is in Payne county this week to attend the teachers' association and also visit the public schools and agricultural college at Stillwater.

Wanted in Kansas.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—John Minde, wanted in Kansas on the charge of larceny removed property, was arrested recently at Perkins by Deputy Sheriff Ames Clingman, by whom he was taken to Stillwater awaiting the arrival of the Kansas sheriff.

To Inspect Fat Stocks.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—Dr. Brewer, federal cattle inspector, went to Stillwater yesterday to inspect a herd of fat cattle belonging to the agricultural college, for transporting and exhibiting at the fat stock show in Oklahoma City next week.

In County Jail.

Shawnee, O. T., Feb. 20.—Jerry Brown, who killed Tom Ambrose Monday night, is in the county jail, and two other colored men, witnesses of the affair, are under \$50 bond to insure their appearance. Neither could give the bond and both are locked up.

Goes to Shawnee.

Shawnee, O. T., Feb. 20.—The train crew of the Gulf Colorado & Santa Fe, now located at Pauls Valley, will be moved to Shawnee in the near future, with headquarters here. This meets with the boys' approval and they are anxious to come, especially Conductor J. Granger and Engineer Timmons.

At Half-Mast.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—All the flags on the state and federal buildings here were at half mast Friday in honor of Senator Mark Hanna. All offices were closed in the afternoon, the banks also taking a recess.

Is Now a Cotton Broker.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—Colonel Frank M. Thompson, former territorial treasurer, is here from his present home in Texas. He has become a cotton broker, and is reported thoroughly conversant in his new vocation.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—The cavalry band of this city will attend the cattlemen's convention during the three days session at Stillwater to help lend harmony to the occasion.

Blaze at Ardmore.

Ardmore, I. T., Feb. 20.—A block of frame business houses burned here Thursday night. The loss is \$15,000. The insurance is about \$100. The fire originated in the merchandise store of Kahn & Hoff.

MORE TROUBLE IS EXPECTED

Criminal Libel Charge Is One Outgrowth of the Row.

TRAITOR TO HIS TOWN

That Is One of the Alleged Libelous Sayings.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—As an outgrowth of the Mountain Park-Snyder difficulty over the consolidation of the two towns, the Kiowa county attorney, J. E. Terral, has filed an information in the probate court against W. M. Allison, editor of the Snyder Signal-Star, charging him with criminal libel. The information charges that on the 15th of January, 1904, Allison unlawfully printed and circulated malicious libel concerning one J. A. Williams. The article in question is set out in full in the information and charges Williams with being a traitor to his town and with having lied to the people of Mountain Park when he told them that an information had been served which ordered courts and officers not to interfere with the consolidation company's possession of the Otter Creek bridge over which occurred the recent shooting affair between the citizens of Snyder and Mountain Park. Allison will be arrested as soon as he returns to the city.

Shawnee Raises \$515 Toward a Revival Tabernacle.

Shawnee, O. T., Feb. 20.—A union mass meeting of the different evangelical churches was held at the opera house Sunday night, the object being to perfect arrangements and devise ways and means for the Otter Brothers' revival soon to be held here.

Rev. Fulton of the Presbyterian church, presided. He stated the object of the meeting. To hold a revival such as is proposed it is necessary to build a tabernacle, and Rev. Mitchell of the M. E. church, south, outlined a plan of building a light, frame structure, sheathed with paper, which can be tastefully decorated during the revival.

Baker was bound over to await the action of the grand jury.

COMMITTEE MET YESTERDAY.

How the Situation Appeared During the Day.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—Prominent Republicans in the territory came into the city on every train last night and this morning to attend the meeting of the territorial Republican committee, which was called for today. The purpose of the meeting was to name a time and place for holding the territorial convention for selecting delegates to attend the national convention at Chicago. El Reno and Guthrie, it is understood, will each make a hard fight to land the convention. Elid also put in a bid for either the delegate or congressional convention. The Elid crowd, headed by the territorial secretary, Vernon Whiffing, county commissioner Ferguson, editor Everett Purcell and Probate Judge Garber, arrived in the city this morning on a special train.

It is expected that an attempt will be made at the meeting of the committee to have the same convention that elects delegates to Chicago also nominate the Republican delegate to congress, as Delegate McGuire has recently announced himself in favor of such action.

All the candidates for national convention delegates are here. These include Postmaster Frank Prantz, of Elid, Editor Everett Purcell, of Elid, Omar Benedict, of Hobart, W. C. Tetrick, of Blackwell, A. G. Belister, of Carmen, J. C. Robb, of Kingfisher, and C. A. Lincoln, of El Reno.

The following men compose the territorial committee: C. M. Sade, Shawnee, Pottawatomie county; George Hesley, Beaver, Beaver county; John H. Dillon, Garret, Blaine county; C. A. Bannister, El Reno, Canadian county; Jay Sherman, Lexington, Cleveland county; J. M. Galloway, Parker, Custer county; George W. Carr, Stone, Dewey county; R. G. Browder, Tulsa, Dewey county; J. B. Ferguson, Elid, Garfield county; Peter Decker, Jefferson, Grant county; J. A. Trotter, Mangum, Grant county; March Lambert, Newkirk, Kay county; James Gibson, Kingfisher, Kingfisher county; John Embury, Chandler, Lincoln county; J. R. Cottingham, Guthrie, Logan county; John E. Evans, Perry, Noble county; E. L. Leach, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma county; J. H. Hale, Pawnee, Pawnee county; C. F. Neenan, Stillwater, Payne county; J. F. Johnson, Cheyenne, Roger Mills county; S. D. Corbett, Washita county; W. F. Barrett, Carmen, Woods county; George H. Brophy, Woodward, Woodward county; R. A. White, Anadarko, Caddo county; Frank W. Wright, Lawton, Comanche county; O. K. Benedict, Hobart, Kiowa county; E. N. Yates, Chickasha, Osage reservation; John Jensen, White Eagle, Pima reservation.

Oklahoma City, O. T., Feb. 20.—Admiral H. O. Sholly and Hugh McCredie were today acquitted of the charges recently made against them by the grand jury for malfeasance in office. Judge F. E. Gillette, who was called here to try the case, held that the evidence against these gentlemen failed to state sufficient grounds for City Engineer Wadsworth filed a demurrer to the accusation against him charging that he converted public money to his own use. The demurrer was overruled by the court. The action of the court today is taken by the friends of the alleged "robber" as a knock-out blow to the opposition.

Tokio, Feb. 20.—Captain Kurokawa, commander of the Japanese armored ship Chujo, today announced that he was wrecked by the short-logs of the Russian lumbermen Tarlag and Kozietz, which were sunk at Chempopo on February 5. The emperor was much affected. He congratulated Kurokawa and made him the bearer of an affectionate message to the officers and men of the fleet.

Oklahoma City, O. T., Feb. 20.—The Cattlemen's meeting next week is assured a good attendance.

WOULD HAVE NEW COUNTY

Town of Cushing Would Be a County Seat.

ADVOCATES A DIVISION

Cutting up Payne County and Snipping Off Elsewhere.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—During the past two or three years the town of Cushing, Payne county, has had a very flattering growth, becoming unquestionably the leading railroad center of the county. But with this she is not content, and has of late been doing a good deal of quiet and effective work looking to county-seathood, and this by no less heroic measures than having a new county carved out of her ambition.

The proposed county will comprise all of Payne county south of the Cimarron river and east of the line between ranges two and three including Mound and Eagle townships; a strip nine miles wide off the west side of the Indian territory.

It is claimed that Chandler and Streand are helping Cushing in her undertaking and that a representative will soon be in Washington to see what can be done in the matter.

NINE PRISONERS SENT.

Ardmore Ships Its Convicts to Fort Leavenworth Prison.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 20.—Nine United States prisoners were taken from Ardmore, O. T., yesterday afternoon for the Fort Leavenworth penitentiary, where they will serve the sentences imposed upon them. Their names, charges and sentences are as follows:

S. H. Lufkin, false pretense; one year and one day.

Oscar Lussery, assault to kill; one year and one day.

Mary Alfred, larceny; one year and one day.

E. R. Johnson, larceny; one year and one day.

Roy Wheeler, selling liquor; one year and one day.

Oney Fenoy, robbery; five years.

Wm. Thornton, manslaughter; eighteen months.

Perry Lewis, assault to kill; five years.

S. M. Wolf, false pretense; one year and one day.

Marshall B.